

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

May 3, 2012
5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Donald Kasprzak, Councilors Mark Tiffer (W2), George Rabideau (W3), Jim Calnon (W4), Chris Case (W5), Chris Jackson (W6)

Absent: Councilor Tim Carpenter (W1)

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held on April 26, 2012 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Calnon; Seconded by Councilor Case
Roll call: Councilors Tiffer, Rabideau, Calnon, Case, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the week ending May 2, 2012 in the amount of **\$ 246,881.13** are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Case
Roll call: Councilors Tiffer, Rabideau, Calnon, Case, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the week of April 26 – May 2, 2012
- Report from the Building Inspector's Office from April 24 – April 30, 2012
- Statement of cash receipts from the Library from April 12 – April 18, 2012

RESOLVED: That the reports as listed are hereby ordered, received and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Tiffer; Seconded by Councilor Calnon
Roll call: Councilors Tiffer, Rabideau, Calnon, Case, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

4. CORRESPONDENCE & RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS: None

5. **AUDIT OF CLAIMS:**

RESOLVED: That the bills Audited by the Common Council in the amount of \$ 770,743.52 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk (where required) are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Rabideau; Seconded by Councilor Case
Roll call: Councilors Tiffer, Rabideau, Calnon, Case, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

6. **PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL: None**

7. **OTHER ITEMS:**

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves that Contract # 2012-02 “St. Charles Street Improvements: Cornelia Street – Elm Street” be awarded to Luck Brothers Inc. for the total bid price of \$243,305.

By Councilor Tiffer; Seconded by Councilor Case
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Tiffer, Rabideau, Calnon, Case, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the US Coast Guard Auxiliary and the US Power Squadron to hold a National Safe Boating week event at the City Docks and parking lot area near Green Street on Saturday, May 19, 2012 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Rabideau
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Tiffer, Rabideau, Calnon, Case, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

C. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Seth Silver of 40 Trafalgar Drive to close down part of Trafalgar Drive on June 30, 2012 from 10 am to 6 pm to have a safe area for their third annual block party.

By Councilor Calnon; Seconded by Councilor Case
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Tiffer, Rabideau, Calnon, Case, Jackson

(Councilors Tiffer, Calnon, Case and Jackson voted in the affirmative. Councilor Rabideau voted in the negative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

D. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council grants the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary a license to use the Old Base Marina Property for its mission on the terms set forth in the annexed Grant of License which is made a part of this resolution and ordered filed among the City records.

By Councilor Tiffer; Seconded by Councilor Calnon

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Tiffer, Rabideau, Calnon, Case, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

8. TRAVEL REQUEST: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION:

1. Request from Bill Treacy, Manager MLD to write-off unpaid final bills from March 1, 2011 to March 31, 2011 in the total amount of \$5,395.57. The percentage of write-offs for this period is .24%.
2. Request from Tina Cook to use the gazebo at the US Oval for a karaoke birthday party on Saturday, August 18, 2012 from 11:30 am to 4:30 pm.
3. Request from Dave Powell Chief Plant Operator Water Pollution Control Plant that Contract #2012-07 "Sludge hauling for WPCP" be awarded to Rodem Inc Drummack Septic Service for the total lump sum of \$141,832.80.
4. Request from Jim Horton Interim Pastor at the First Baptist Church to use Trinity Park on Saturday August 4, 2012 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm to have games and other activities as part of their Vacation Bible School program.
5. Request from Kevin Farrington City Engineer that Contract #2012-05 "One 2013 Single Axle Truck with Recycle Body" be awarded to M.A. Jerry for the total cost of \$149,380.
6. Request from Kevin Farrington City Engineer to advertise for bids for Contract #2012-10 "Beach Amenities."
7. Request from Police Chief Desmond Racicot for two Police Officers to attend "New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Law Enforcement Active Shooter Emergency Response Training" in Oriskany, NY from May 29 – 31, 2012. The cost will not

exceed \$336 and will be paid out of Asset Forfeiture (Treasury) funds.

8. Request from Police Chief Desmond Racicot for one Police Officer to attend “New York State Police Sex Offense Seminar” in Albany, NY from May 21 – 25, 2012. The cost will not exceed \$825 and will be paid out of Asset Forfeiture (Treasury) funds.
9. Request from Police Chief Desmond Racicot for one Police Officer to attend “Active Shooter Emergency Response Training” in Oriskany, NY from May 29 – 31, 2012. The cost will not exceed \$163 and will be paid out of Asset Forfeiture (DOJ) funds.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor Case said I was talking to Rick Perry tonight and they have a truck the transmission’s shot. It needs \$1,500 at least for work. We had talked about in the budget that we were going to get them a new car it’s not in the budget.

Mayor Kasprzak said I thought there was a discussion on leasing that you all were going to put funding in for this year.

Councilor Calnon said we actually talked about a couple different things. One of them was that we believed if we bought the truck new on state contract we could sell it in 3 years from now at the same price. So while there wasn’t money specifically budgeted for it we did discuss taking money out of the contingency to do that. We never passed such a resolution but we did talk about it.

Mayor Kasprzak said we either got to have it repaired or we can pursue what you all discussed at your meetings which I did not attend. Are you asking for direction?

Councilor Case said yes I am asking for direction.

Councilor Jackson said well here’s the curiosity thing what I was talking about earlier. When we did the resolution for the Capitol for vehicles if we put in more than \$149,000 for the single axle say we put in \$175,000 that gives us \$25,000 and we don’t even have to dip in to contingency. Would we just have to add that to the resolution Jim?

Councilor Calnon said yes we would have to add it to the Capital resolution. That would be fairly easy to do. I think the thing to do would be to have Rick work with Kevin’s office and spec out the state contract truck.

Mayor Kasprzak said let’s have Rick first talk to Richard and see what the difference is and see Chris if there was stuff that was an add on we don’t know about on just that one item.

Councilor Rabideau said can we get some information on the truck too well at the point we get to discuss it more. What year it is, how much the mileage is?

Mayor Kasprzak said you mean the one that's not working?

Councilor Rabideau said the one that's not working back ground information.

Mayor Kasprzak said yes we can get that and then will have Rick talk to Richard and then once we get that piece then will start talking about if there's available money to do that instead of taking it out of contingency. Is that ok Chris?

Councilor Case said that's fine.

Councilor Jackson said just so you know even if they do state contract it's at least 90 days for delivery normally 120. I don't even know if, Kevin would you back me up on that normally on a state contract?

Kevin Farrington City Engineer said that's correct.

Councilor Jackson said what we may want to do is put it out to public bid depending on I don't know how fancy shmancy it's got to be but something stripped down put it out to bid locally and see if anybody would jump on it. It's another option just to get it here quicker instead of waiting 4 months.

Mayor Kasprzak said we'll start that discussion on the financial end tomorrow and then that will be another option too Chris.

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Tiffer

Roll call: Councilors Tiffer, Rabideau, Calnon, Case, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:39 pm